

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of United States Application Serial No. 09/623,752, received ~~September 8, 2000~~ November 16, 2000, which is the national phase of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP99/01617, filed on March 9, 1999, entitled "Serine Peptidase Modulators" and designating, *inter alia*, the United States, which claims priority to European Patent Application Serial No. 98200733.8, filed March 9, 1998. --